GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:669
ANSWERED ON:05.03.2002
CREATION OF NEW STATES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received the demands of Union Territory status to Laddakh and separate States for Telengana, Coorg, Vidarbh, Harit Pradesh, Aunadh, Bundel khand, Saurashtra, hill districts of Karbi Anglong and North Cachar hills of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the time by which new States are likely to be created ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Representations/memoranda have been received from time to time from various organisations for granting Union Territory status to Laddakh, for the creation of separate States of Telengana, Coorg, Vidarbha, Harit Pradesh, Bundelkhand, Saurashtra, and an autonomous State comprising the hill districts of Karbi Anglong and North Cachar hills of Assam under article 244A of the Constitution.

(c) & (d): At present the Government is not considering demands for creation of any new State or autonomous State or Union Territory.